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SUBJECT: PRESS ARTICLE CHARGES OFFICIAL US ROLE IN
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1. DEPARTMENT IS DISTURBED BY ARTICLE (REFTEL) WHICH
CONTINUES GROSS DISTORTIONS OF FACT BY TANZANIAN MEDIA
ON US ROLE IN AFRICA. YOU SHOULD PROTEST AT APPROPRIATE
LEVEL THE USE OF TANGOV-OWNED NEWSPAPER TO PUBLICIZE ALLE-
GATIONS OF AN OFFICIAL US ROLE IN NAMIBIAN ATROCITIES.

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2. YOU SHOULD DESCRIBE THE CLAIM THAT CIA OR US MILITARY
ADVISORS ARE OPERATING IN NAMIBIA AS FALSE AND ABSURD.
YOU SHOULD NOTE THAT THE USG DOES NOT COOPERATE WITH SOUTH
AFRICA IN ANY MILITARY CAPACITY, THAT WE HAVE NEVER HAD
US MILITARY ADVISORS IN NAMIBIA AND THAT WE HAVE MAINTAINED
AN ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA SINCE 1963. WE ARE

DISTURBED BY SUCH AN UNWARRANTED AND FALLACIOUS ATTACK
APPEARING IN THE GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED PRESS, AND WE ARE
CONCERNED THAT THE TANGOV ALLOWS THIS MEDIUM TO BE USED
AS A VEHICLE FOR SUCH APPALLING OFFENSES AGAINST THE TRUTH
AND GOOD TASTE. CHRISTOPHER

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